approved May 9, 1942 (56 Stat. 273), is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "This Act shall be effective with respect to any lands so withdrawn only so long as such lands remain so withdrawn.

Approved October 25, 1949.

[CHAPTER 705]

AN ACT

Relating to the compensation of certain employees of the Panama Canal.

October 25, 1949 [S. 2226] [Public Law 368]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Governor of the Panama Canal is authorized to grant additional compensation to policemen, firemen, and school teachers employed by the Panama Canal, corresponding to the additional compensation granted to similar employees of the District of Columbia by the Act entitled "An Act to increase the compensation of certain employees of the municipal government of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes". approved June 30, 1949, as of the first day of the first pay period which began after June 30, 1948.

Panama Canal. Compensation in-crease for certain em-

Sec. 2. No retroactive compensation shall be payable by reason of the enactment of this Act in the case of any person who is not an employee of the Panama Canal on the date of enactment of this Act, except that such retroactive compensation shall be paid a retired employee for services rendered between the first day of the first pay period which began after June 30, 1948, and the date of his retirement.

Ante, p. 376.

Retroactive com-

Approved October 25, 1949.

[CHAPTER 706]

AN ACT

To authorize the appointment of three additional judges of the municipal court for the District of Columbia and to prescribe the qualifications of appointees to the municipal court and the municipal court of appeals, and for other purposes.

October 25, 1949 [H. R. 1370] [Public Law 369]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the number of judges authorized by the Act approved April 1, 1942 (56 Stat. 190, D. C. Code, title 11, sec. 752), is hereby increased from ten to thirteen. Appointments and reappointments in the case of the additional judges authorized by this Act shall be for a term of ten years each.

Municipal court and municipal court of appeals, D. C. Additional judges. D. C. Code, Sunn. D. C. Code, Supp. VII, § 11-752.

SEC. 2. Section 2 and the fourth paragraph of section 6 of such Act of April 1, 1942, are hereby amended by striking out "bona fide resident of the District of Columbia and maintaining an actual place of abode therein" and inserting in lieu thereof "bona fide resident of the area consisting of the District of Columbia; Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties, Maryland; Arlington and Fairfax Counties, Virginia; and the city of Alexandria, Virginia, and maintaining an actual place of abode in such area".

SEC. 3. Section 2 of such Act of April 1, 1942, is hereby amended by striking out "further, all appointees shall have been actively engaged in the practice of the law in the District of Columbia for a period of at least five years immediately prior to their appointment" and in lieu thereof insert the following: "further, all appointees shall have been members of the bar of the District of Columbia for a period of at least five years, and shall have been actively engaged in the private practice of law in the District of Columbia for a period of at least five consecutive years immediately prior to their appointment, or shall have been employed as an attorney in the District of Columbia

56 Stat. 191, 194. D. C. Code, Supp. VII, §§ 11-753, 11-771. Ante, pp. 482, 483.

56 Stat. 191. D. C. Code, Supp. VII, § 11-753. Ante, p. 482.

Qualifications.

in the Government of the United States or in the government of the District of Columbia for a period of at least five consecutive years immediately prior to their appointment".

Approved October 25, 1949.

[CHAPTER 707]

AN ACT

October 25, 1949 [H. R. 2369] [Public Law 370]

To authorize an appropriation to complete the International Peace Garden, North Dakota.

International Peace Garden, N. Dak.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, for the purpose of assisting the State of North Dakota to complete, in accordance with plans heretofore approved, the International Peace Garden established in North Dakota on the international boundary line between United States and Canada for the purpose of furthering international peace among the nations of the world, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated not to exceed the sum of \$100,000.

Appropriation authorized. Ante, p. 875. Agreement governing expenditures.

Sec. 2. Any funds appropriated pursuant hereto shall be expended only in accordance with the terms of an agreement to be entered into between the Secretary of the Interior and the State of North Dakota to govern such expenditures.

Approved October 25, 1949.

[CHAPTER 708]

AN ACT

October 25, 1949 [H. R. 2517] [Public Law 371]

Directing the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Palm Beach County, Florida.

Palm Beach County, Fla. Conveyance.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is directed to sell and convey to the county of Palm Beach, Florida, certain lands for use by said county for recreational or park purposes described as follows:

All of lots 4 and 5, section 5, township 41 south, range 43 east, Tallahassee meridian, Florida, as shown by plat approved April 18, 1855, except blocks 1 and 23, as represented by plat accepted December 28, 1927.

Sale of lands.

Reversion of title to U.S.

SEC. 2. Such lands shall be sold at a price not less than fifty per centum of the appraised fair market value as determined by the Secretary of the Interior: Provided, That title to such lands shall revert to the United States upon payment of the purchase price to said county upon a finding by the Secretary of the Interior that for a period of five consecutive years such land has not been used by said county for recreational or park purposes, or that such land or any part thereof is being devoted to other use.

Rights reserved to U.S.

SEC. 3. The patent issued under this Act shall contain a reservation to the United States of all mineral deposits in the lands and of the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the same under applicable laws and under regulations to be established by the Secretary.

Repeal.

SEC. 4. The Act of July 3, 1926 (44 Stat. 903) is hereby repealed. Approved October 25, 1949.

[CHAPTER 709]

AN ACT

October 25, 1949 [H. R. 4059] [Public Law 372]

To clarify exemption from taxation of certain property of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the National Society of United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of

the Sons of the American Revolution.